



Coates Lane Primary School

"Happiness at the heart, shaping children of the future."

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to a new school year and an especially warm welcome to those parents who are joining us for the first time as your child starts school here; may it be in Reception or another class. I hope that you have had a wonderful summer holiday and that you are as excited about the next year as we are.

We are a team of caring and dedicated staff who want the best for every child in our school. We have a shared vision of ensuring happiness in our community, aiming to inspire every child to develop a life-long love of learning and providing an exciting, ever-evolving curriculum. It is crucial that we provide a welcoming and positive school environment which is conducive to high quality learning. This summer, we have spent a lot of time preparing the school for the new school year and we are sure that the children will continue to thrive here.

Please find a list below of staff for 2018:

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant(s)
Reception	Mrs Boon	Mrs Jones Miss Bowker
Year 1	Mr Grogan	Mrs Mackie Mrs Greenwood
Year 2	Miss Spencer	Mrs Ashley
Year 3	Miss Palmer	Mrs Darcy Mrs Hylands
Year 4	Miss Johnston	Mrs Tarn
Year 5	Mrs Green	Mrs Carter
Year 6	Mr Maiden	Mrs Morgan Mrs Fitzpatrick Miss Thompson
Nurture Support – Mrs Rogan Admin – Mrs Thompson and Mrs Wade Senior Lunchtime Supervisor and Site Supervisor – Mrs Murphy Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) – Mr Maiden		

Communication

As a reminder, we communicate frequently with parents using the following methods:

- Email
- Telephone
- Text message
- Notes in book bags/reading records



- Weekly newsletter from the class teacher (emailed)
- Weekly whole school newsletter
- Facebook/Twitter (please follow us to see lots of photos of school events, reminders etc)

It is imperative that we have up to date contact details for each parent; please inform the office staff immediately if you change your address or contact details. Over the next few weeks, we will be sending home more information about up and coming activities/events. This information will also be on our school website - <http://www.coateslane.lancs.sch.uk/> Please take some time to look around our website as many of the school's policies are on there as well as lots of information about the curriculum.

Concerns or questions

If you are concerned about anything at all, then please speak firstly to the class teacher. We have an open-door policy, so please feel free to come and see us at any time (although after school is better as the teachers are usually busy with the pupils in the morning). We are happy to talk and listen to any questions or queries you have, as well as anything positive you might want to share with us!

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child has the correct school uniform at all times.

- Blue sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo
- White/blue polo shirt
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey skirt/pinafore, dress/smart trousers
- Blue check summer dress for girls
- Black or brown **shoes** (not trainers)
- Y6 Pupils wear jumpers in a darker shade of blue than the rest of the school.

For PE and games the children need a PE kit in a bag to be left in school all the time during the week. During PE games and swimming, all earrings and watches must be removed for safety reasons. It is better to leave these items at home as we cannot be responsible for the loss or damage of them. Other items of jewellery should not be worn in school. The PE kit should consist of navy shorts and a white t-shirt and slip on pumps clearly marked with your child's name. Shorts, t-shirts and PE bags embroidered with the school logo are available from the School Office. We also hold a stock of most uniform items in school, including reading folders, PE bags and water bottles. A price list and order form is available from the School Office.

We ask that all uniform be clearly marked with your child's name.

Holiday Dates for 2019/2020

You will soon receive the holiday dates for the next academic year (2019/2020). You will notice that the Governors have decided to put four of the INSET days together next to the May half term break in 2020 so that it gives nearly a 2 week break. We encourage parents to use this time to book any family holidays rather than take your children out of school during



term time. You may well get some cheaper deals as the first week isn't 'officially in term time' and your child won't miss any valuable learning time.

Roald Dahl Day

As a reminder, on Thursday 13th September, we will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day. We wrote to you before the summer holiday to let you know that we are asking the children to dress up as a character from one of his books. We hoped this gave you plenty of time to organise a dressing up costume and we can't wait to see what the children will wear. The staff have also been busy preparing their costumes!

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in all aspects of school life; we are extremely lucky to have such a committed community around us. I hope your child enjoys their new school year as much as we love coming to work.

Warm regards

Sarah White
Headteacher

